

Halloween on the Plaza
The Arcata Chamber of Commerce presents Halloween on the Arcata Plaza on Thursday, Oct. 31 from 4 to 7 p.m. Participating merchants will be handing out candy. In the center of the Plaza there will be a costume contest at 5 p.m. with winners for Best Group Costume, Best Solo Costume, and Best Kids Costume. The Marching Lumberjacks will parade around a few times. The Dancing Witches of Humboldt will dance at 6 p.m. The Fire Flow Birds will perform at 6:30 p.m.

Dead Acres
The Blue Lake Casino is offering up a Dead Acres Haunted Maze Fridays and Saturdays from 6 to 10 p.m. for the next

HALLOWEEN

two weekends and also on Halloween, Thursday, Oct. 31. The maze promises to be a thrilling experience for all ages, but it might be too frightening for small children. There will be a haunted Tiki bar and tickets allow two entries into the maze. Tickets are \$30 for adults and \$15 for children 12 and under.

Kinetic Lab of Horrors
The Kinetic Lab of Horrors at 820 N St. in Arcata will be open on Halloween Day, Thursday, Oct. 31 from 7 p.m. to midnight. Tickets are \$15 cash at the door. kineticsculpturelab.com

HOT PUBLIC HEALTH TOPICS The November meeting of the Humboldt Branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) will focus on “Hot Topics in Public Health.” Speaker Dr. Candy Stockton-Jorteg, health officer of Humboldt County, is board certified in both Family Medicine and Addiction Medicine. She will discuss current public health issues facing Humboldt County. Interested community members are invited to attend. The meeting will take place on Saturday, Nov. 2 at 9:30 a.m., Wharfinger Building (Lower Level), One Marina Way, Eureka. (\$20 brunch or \$8 beverage only). Contact Winifred Creamer at wcream151@gmail.com for more information.

Arcata selling off surplus assets online

CITY OF ARCATA
ARCATA – The City of Arcata will conduct an online auction of surplus assets beginning on or after Wednesday, Oct. 30 and ending on Thursday, Nov. 14.

The City of Arcata is auctioning several items that no longer serve function with the City but may be useful for other organizations or individuals. The items consist primarily of computer equipment, A/V equipment and office furniture. The auction will take place at govdeals.com/cityofarcata. Descriptions and information about the items can also be found on

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the bidding site.

The auction will take place beginning on or after Wednesday, Oct. 30 and bidding will end on Thursday, Nov. 14. Individuals interested in bidding on an item must register as a bidder through govdeals.com. All items are sold as-is, where-is, and the City may reject any and all bids.

Winning bidders are required to submit online payment for items within five days of a bid award and to collect all items within 10 days of payment.

For more information, please contact the City of Arcata's Contracts and Special Projects Manager by email at dallred@cityofarcata.org or by phone at (707) 825-2101.

❖ SIX TITANICS • ECOBRICKS • EAT YOUR PUMPKIN

Spooky-good Halloween waste tips

CITY OF ARCATA
ARCATA—The City of Arcata wants to remind everyone to celebrate sustainably this spooky season by reducing single-use waste.

Halloween is haunting the planet in ways that can be easy to not consider. A massive amount of waste is produced from trick-or-treating trash, disposable decorations, single-use costumes and rotting pumpkins. Planning for and properly disposing of that ghastly garbage is an essential part of keeping Halloween as green as possible.

Americans buy the equivalent of 6 Titanic ships (almost 600 million pounds) of candy each year. Billions of these tiny treats encased in non-recyclable wrappers quickly become a gigantic garbage problem. The plastic and single-use decorations, costumes and party supplies add to the waste generated.

Pumpkin guts and rotting jack-o-lanterns become green waste, most of which will end up in landfills, contributing to greenhouse gas emissions. Fortunately, there are low-waste alternatives and options for every classic Halloween activity.

Here are ways to have a sustainably spooky Halloween!

Terrifying Trick-or-Treating trash

- Choose candy with recyclable or compostable packaging.
- Any candy wrappers that are not recyclable/compostable can be used to make an Ecobrick. Find out more at ecobricks.org/en/welcome.php.
- Offer non-candy treats like:
 - Clementines/oranges with pumpkin faces drawn on
 - Wildflower seed packets (native, non-invasive plants only)
 - School supplies like bookmarks, crayons and pencil sharpeners
 - Trading cards and stickers (beware of wasteful packaging)

Dodge disposable decorations

- Buy second-hand, durable decorations from thrift stores. Donate any unwanted decorations after the holiday.
- DIY, make decorations out of recyclable and compostable materials

- Real pumpkins, gourds and cornstalks instead of plastic ones
- Use natural twine to create a spider web between porch posts or trees
- Frighteningly Eco-Friendly Festivities
- Make treats for a party instead of bringing store-bought candy.
- Any plastics from decorations or candy can be used to make an Ecobrick.
- Offer reusable utensils, cups, plates and other party supplies.

Escape single-use costumes

- DIY, make a costume using things found around the house.
- Swap costumes with friends or neighbors. Check thrift stores to buy second-hand and donate old costumes that won't be reused.
- Pair your eco-conscious costume with an eco-conscious bag when trick-or-treating. Use a pillowcase, bag or container found around the house instead of buying something new.

Purge those pumpkins

- Get a real pumpkin from a local pumpkin patch or grocery store instead of fake plastic ones. The green waste they produce can be composted.
- Compost any rotten gourds and leftovers that won't get used. Remove any painted areas before putting them in the compost. Compost at home or check out local composting groups!
- Eat the pumpkin! Recipes like pies, soup, and roasted seeds use all parts of the pumpkin.

To learn more about general Waste Prevention Resources visit cityofarcata.org/790/Waste-Prevention-Resources or call (707) 822-8184.

The Global Ecobrick Alliance (GEA) is a not-for-profit, Earth Enterprise that supports the local and global Ecobrick and plastic transition movements by maintaining its conceptual and technological infrastructure. In particular, the Ecobrick publications, the GEA trainer network, and the GoBrik application. GEA holds the space for the unfolding dissemination of ecobricking and the raising of ecological consciousness that the spread entails.”

❖RAIN WEEK DATE	INCHES OF RAIN	SINCE OCT. 1	LAST YEAR	NORMAL
Sunday, Oct. 20	00.50	00.86	01.66	01.32
Monday, Oct. 21	00.00	00.86	01.93	01.40
Tuesday, Oct. 22	00.00	00.86	01.93	01.49
Wednesday, Oct. 23	00.00	00.86	01.93	01.59
Thursday, Oct. 24	00.00	00.86	01.93	01.68
Friday, Oct. 25	00.00	00.86	02.09	01.79
Saturday, Oct. 26	00.04	00.90	02.09	01.89

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City looking for league photog

CITY OF ARCATA
ARCATA – Arcata Recreation Division is looking for a photographer to take team photos and market products directly to customers for a league of more than 350 participants.

The selected photographer will be offered access to the practice schedule and provided a designated space to set up a portable studio at the practice site. Practices begin Monday, Jan. 6 and products should be delivered to families before the final week of practice, Monday, March 3.

The photographer may solicit products and photography packages directly to families, with no payment or financial arrangement from Arcata Recreation Division. All profits are earned through direct sales to family of participants.

Contact Recreation Supervisor Evan Stork at estork@cityofarcata.org with a portfolio of their work and example packet with offerings and prices.

The Weekly Crossword by Margie E. Burke

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ACROSS

1 Shocked
7 Brando film, "____ Tango in Paris"
11 Trade name abbr.
14 Nativity display
15 Limited, as hearing
17 Fireplace shelf
18 Tofu, essentially
19 College statistic
21 Frittata ingredients
22 Deborah's "The King and I" co-star
23 Tough going
25 Falling-out
27 Defers, with "off"
28 Former name of the Congo
32 Popular card game
33 Wrath
34 Revved, as an engine
35 Camping item
37 Phraseology
38 Win the affection of
39 What you used to be
40 Pipe joint
41 Tries for a role

DOWN

1 Coyote's supplier
2 Part of GTO
3 "On Golden Pond" actor
4 Play charades
5 Chevron rival
6 Show's partner
7 Sailor's time off
8 Restitution
9 Sudden burst
10 Summer shade
11 Pharmacy offering
12 Arctic mass

13 Puts in
16 Its capital is Reykjavik
20 React to a loss
24 Blue shade
25 Desk drawer item
26 Senseless
27 Siamese sound
29 Signing off on, simply
30 "Judy" actress of 2019
31 Borders
33 Lavish meal
34 Movie trailer?
36 Monotonous
37 Faint scent
39 Adjective for Everest
42 It can wait, in a movie title
43 Sang cheerfully
45 British county
46 "Hidden Figures" actress Janelle
47 Spineless one
48 Toward shelter
49 Join hands?
51 VFW members
52 Cleveland's lake
53 Thumbs-up votes
55 Break bread

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HUMBOLDT COUNTY DRUG TASK FORCE

EUREKA – On Tuesday, Oct. 22 Humboldt County Drug Task Force (HCDTF) agents with assistance from the Humboldt County Sheriff’s Office (HCSO) conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle registered to Diana Reeves of Eureka.

HCSO Deputy Hwang and her K9 partner Uno conducted an open-air sniff on the vehicle. K9 Uno alerted to the vehicle indicating drugs were present. Inside the vehicle, HCDTF agents located Reeves, over two pounds of methamphetamine and a digital scale.

Reeves was transported to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility and booked on possession of a controlled substance and transportation of a controlled substances for sales.

Mad River Hospital thanks Open Door, St. Joe

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ARCATA – Mad River Community Hospital has thanked other local healthcare providers for continuing labor and delivery services, even as it closes its own such facilities.

States the news release: This press release is issued to remind the community of Mad River Community Hospital’s plan to suspend labor and delivery services effective October 31, 2024, as announced in our press release on August 21, 2024. While Mad River will no longer offer scheduled or unscheduled deliveries, the hospital will continue to provide a full range of gynecological services, including tubal ligations, hysterectomies, and laparoscopies, in partnership with Open Door Community Health Center providers.

We encourage expectant mothers to contact their OB/GYN or primary care provider to arrange for deliveries at other medical facilities, including Providence St. Joseph Hospital and Open Door Community Health Centers.

“I would like to express my appreciation to St. Joe’s for its ongoing support and commitment to providing labor and delivery services to our community,” said Melissa Long, chief nursing officer. “I am encouraged by our renewed collaboration with St. Joe’s and the benefits this offers our patients.”

Providence St. Joseph Hospital is being sued by California Attorney General Rob Bonta for alleged refusal of emergency abortion care. The woman was reportedly directd to MRCH, where she was treated in the ER.

Sugar, a sweet survivor; Ringo, café society star

Happy Halloween! For trick or treat, we have the appropriately-named Sugar. Sugar is one of the sweetest girls to grace the shelter’s halls.

This nine-year old gal came to the shelter with a nasty-looking tumor on her eye and in need of some dental work. There was some concern that Sugar would lose her eye and possibly be put up as a hospice dog, but clearly Sugar was not ready for that yet! She came out of surgery (paid for by your donations to the shelter’s Emergency Medical Fund) like a champ and with her eye fully intact and functional. A few less teeth but as enthusiastic as ever about getting a treat!

Sugar has been in one of the overflow spots at the shelter, a room designed for cat quarantines. break She has been so well-behaved, waiting patiently for her turn to go out for a potty or a walk and not barking even when she can watch people walking by her window.

Once outside she is a great companion. Two new volunteers took her for a stroll the other day and fell instantly in love! She pulls a little in her enthusiasm to get outside, but settles right into a pleasant pace. Sugar had the chance to go on an outing the other day with one of our volunteer couples and their three dogs. Sugar fit right in and was thrilled to be part of the pack. She rode nicely in the car and thoroughly enjoyed her walk in the forest.

Back at the shelter, Sugar was happy to put on the doggy lobster costume and zoom around the play yard. Volunteers created some fabulous treats with hot dog fingers and cheese-slice ghosts and she thoroughly enjoyed her serving.

Sugar loves everyone and is waiting patiently for her

forever home. Do you need a little trick or treat magic at your house? Call now to meet Sugar. She could be your holiday treat – she would even let you dress her up for the occasion! Sugar is available through the Humboldt County Animal Shelter at (707) 840-9132.

Another pup at the shelter who would like to trick or treat at your house is Ringo. Ringo is a lovely boy who came into the shelter testing positive for heartworm. Heartworm is another condition that the Emergency Medical Fund pays for (and it’s not an inexpensive pro-



Sugar.
MARA SEGAL
| DOGTOWN



Ringo.

DANIELLE
ALLRED
| DOGTOWN

Ringo was pretty calm and sat by my side getting pets while I sipped my coffee and chatted with people nearby. He is a total gem!”

Ringo is about three years old and would love to find a foster home so that he could get his heartworm treatment. A good foster home would have a nice quiet place for Ringo to ride out his treatment. All medical expenses are covered by the shelter. Many foster homes provide food for their foster but that is not a requirement. Redwood Pals Rescue helps to make sure any other needs – crate, toys, blanket, leash, towels – are provided. The time frame for heartworm foster is about two months.

If that seems like something you might be interested in, please contact the shelter at the number above or Redwood Pals at redwoodpalsrescue@gmail.com or leave a voicemail at (707) 633-8842.

Local Vote Centers changed

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BLUE LAKE –Don’t go to Prasch Hall to vote on Nov. 5 – it’s no longer a polling place, or “Vote Center” as the Humboldt County Office of Elections now calls them.

It’s a matter of resource allocation, said Juan P. Cervantes, registrar of voters. Just 63 voters turned out to vote in person during the last election, compared to 509 at McKinleyville Middle School or at the Fortuna Veterans Hall.

“In order to keep Blue Lake up and running, I have to make long lines in McKinleyville,” Cervantes said. Shelter Cove, Blocksburg and Trinidad have also lost their vote centers.

Blue Lakers still have easy voting options, he said, including the Glendale Murphy’s secure dropbox and the U.S. Mail.

Cervantes said extensive review of voting locations, with public scoping, will occur during alternate election cycles.

McKinleyville | Lots of projects

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As an unincorporated community, McKinleyville doesn’t have a city government like Arcata and Eureka.

Instead, it has the MCSd, which oversees sewer, water, streetlights, open space maintenance, parks and recreation in McKinleyville.

Road maintenance, planning and policing are provided by the County of Humboldt. In an effort to give McKinleyville a greater voice, in 2012 the Board of Supervisors created the McKMAC, which is a county advisory committee dedicated to McKinleyville.

The MCSd and McKMAC now hold joint meetings annually to keep each other informed about issues affecting McKinleyville.

MCK Town Center

Humboldt County Planning Director John Ford provided an update on the status of the McKinleyville Town Center ordinance.

The ordinance would create new planning regulations for the McKinleyville Town Center, located roughly between McKinleyville Avenue and Pierson Park, and from Railroad Drive to Heartwood Drive. The largest undeveloped properties in the town center are located behind the McKinleyville Shopping Center and south of Hiller Road.

The ordinance includes building requirements to make the area more walkable and pedestrian friendly. It allows for buildings as high as four stories, with retail and commercial spaces on the ground floors and residential units on the upper floors.

One of the most controversial portions of the plan is the road diet, which would reduce Central Avenue from two lanes in each direction to one lane in each direction in the Town Center. The road would continue to have a center turn lane.

Ford noted that a walkable town center was called for in the McKinleyville Community Plan, which was passed in 2001.

“And so now we’re finally at a place where we are bringing this forward, and what it’s intended to be is really the center of the community where people can come and meet and greet, run into each other on accident or on purpose, a place where people can get there and conveniently walk around to connect to community together,” Ford said.

“And it’s got this big impediment right in the middle of allowing it to be a cohesive plan which is called Central Avenue,” Ford said. “And so part of the struggle the McKMAC

dealt with was what do we do about Central? What do we do about a place that is a high-volume road, perhaps the highest volume road in all of Humboldt County, and make it a place that is safe and accessible and comfortable for pedestrians to come to, to shop at, to do retail, to do business, and also cross, as a pedestrian and a bicyclist?”

Another significant feature of the Town Center is what Ford described as a “pedestrian promenade,” which would extend from McKinleyville Avenue to Pierson Park and cross Central Avenue.

These projects are being analyzed in a draft environmental impact report, which may be released early next year. The McKMAC and the public will have an opportunity to comment on the EIR.

Ultimately, the Town Center plan will go before the Humboldt County Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors for approval.

Incorporation

Kevin Jenkins, chair of the McKMAC’s McKinleyville Incorporation Exploration Subcommittee (MI-ESC), gave a presentation on the subcommittee’s efforts to study incorporation.

Since the subcommittee was created by the McKMAC in 2023, Jenkins has repeatedly stressed that the subcommittee’s goal is to conduct a non-biased analysis of whether incorporation is feasible or not.

The subcommittee has been working with Josh Zender, professor of economics at Cal Poly Humboldt, to gather economic data “related to the relationship between the County and McKinleyville and the pursuit of grant funding to assist in the preparation of an Initial Feasibility Analysis,” states a written report prepared for the joint meeting.

“The Initial Feasibility Analysis (IFA) would include a more detailed analysis of costs and feasibility of an incorporated McKinleyville,” states the written report. “The Initial Feasibility Analysis would also be necessary to accompany an application for incorporation to be submitted to LAFCo [Local Agency Formation Commission]. Obtaining funding for this analysis, whether through donation or grants, continues to be an ongoing task for the MIESC.”

The MIESC is also beginning a process of surveying community members about what they want to see in an incorporated McKinleyville.

MCK Community Forest

MCSd Parks & Recreation Director Kirsten Messmer gave a



MCKINLEYVILLE COMMUNITY FOREST The MCSd has created a trails map for its new forest.

MAP VIA MCSd

presentation on the McKinleyville Community Forest, which the district acquired at the beginning of 2024.

The forest is 599 acres and was acquired from Green Diamond Resource Company thanks to a \$3.8 million grant from the state’s Natural Resources Agency.

“This was a huge accomplishment, but was just the beginning of establishing a Community Forest, and now the real work begins,” Messmer wrote in a report prepared for the joint meeting.

The district formed a McKinleyville Community Forest Committee, which now meets the third Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at Azalea Hall, 1620 Pickett Rd.

In her written report, Messmer described efforts to improve parking at an access point up Murray Road.

“MCSd Staff leveled the ground and placed gravel at the Murray

on each side of the fork.”

One of the problems for people entering and exiting the parking lot is speeding cars on Murray Road.

The MCSd worked with the county to install 35 MPH speed limit signs in the area.

Greater voice for MCK

MCSd Board president led a discussion on how the district and the McKMAC could work together to give McKinleyville a greater voice when it comes to county issues.

“As the MMAC and MCSd board are aware, McKinleyville is the third largest community in Humboldt County,” Binder wrote in a report prepared for the joint meeting. “With a population of roughly 17,000, McKinleyville makes up over 12% of the county’s population. McKinleyville is an unincorporated, census designated place, and many public services are under the County’s purview (building and planning, roads, stormwater management, law enforcement etc.)”

“Considering large incoming projects that will have county-wide implications (offshore wind, Nordic Aquafarms, Cal Poly Humboldt, etc.), a rapidly changing economy, and McKinleyville specific issues involving County oversight (consideration of incorporation, McKinleyville Town Center, traffic circulation, etc.) it is critical that the McKinleyville community be heard at the County level,” Binder wrote.

“What role can MMAC and MCSd play together to ensure McKinleyville’s voice is heard?” Binder asked.

Thanking Dreyer for McKMAC service

The MCSd board and McKMAC voted unanimously in favor of a proclamation thanking Kevin Dreyer for his years of service on the McKMAC.

Dreyer’s term recently came to an end and he opted not to apply for a reappointment.

Dreyer was one of the original members of the committee when it was formed in 2012.

“I feel like 12 years has been a good run,” Dreyer said at the meeting. “It’s been a pleasure working with all of you.”

Dreyer said he still plans to attend a few meetings and provide input. “It’s not a goodbye,” he said.

The proclamation states that Dreyer “applied his wisdom as a property owner and business owner in McKinleyville, as well as his heart for building community throughout his tenure” and “has been an invaluable resource of institutional knowledge thanks to his long years of service on the MMAC.”

RCEA | Arcata’s Schaefer casts sole vote against nuclear revenue

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Those in favor of accepting the nuclear energy say energy agencies, including RCEA, are paying for the Diablo plant’s operation and might as well get the benefit of its power, which is considered carbon-free.

Accepting it will also provide an additional half-million dollars of revenue each year, which McGarry referred to as “blood money.”

The RCEA’s Community Advisory Committee recommended accepting the power.

Committeemember Deborah Dukes, who is also a member of the 350 Humboldt carbon reduction advocacy group, said she’s not in favor of nuclear energy but rejecting it won’t accomplish anything.

Accepting it will allow RCEA to use the revenue from it “in more constructive ways,” she continued.

Board Chair Sarah Schaefer is Arcata’s representative and she said many people there have told her they don’t want RCEA to include nuclear power in its energy mix.

Schaefer said she believes the agency should move toward energy “independence” and “not be reliant on energy sources like Diablo Canyon.”

She added that if it’s accepted, the added revenue should be dedicated to local renewable energy projects.

Boardmember and Humboldt County Supervisor Natalie Arroyo said she’s not a supporter of nuclear energy but Diablo Canyon isn’t a new operation and the power allotment has a financial benefit.

The yearly proceeds should be held in a separate account so the board can make decisions about specific uses for it, she continued.

Responding to the concerns, Boardmember Kris Mobley made a motion to the accept the nuclear power with what she described as a “caveat” – that the added revenue from it be separated from the rest of the RCEA’s budget and considered for spending on local projects.

The motion also included revisiting the decision every year.

With that, a 7-1 vote in favor of accepting the nuclear power was gained.

Schaefer cast the lone vote in opposition.



PAGES OF TIME Mural Man Benjamin Goulart signs copies of his new Art Around Town 2025 calendar full of monthly murals at last week’s McKinleyville Chamber mixer at Coast Central Credit Union. Pick up a calendar at CCCU, and enjoy more of Ben’s work at mural-man.com, An-Ki.net, WaterfallGuy.com and TheYoungMuralistprogram.org. KLH | UNION

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ELECTRIFYING TALK Redwood Coast Energy Authority offers a free Webinar titled “Electrify Your Home Without Upsizing Your Electric Panel” Monday, Nov. 18 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Interested in home electrification but worried about the costs and timelines of electric panel upgrades? Learn how you can electrify your home without the need for costly panel upsizing. Experts Abhijeet Pande from TRC, Sean Armstrong from Redwood Energy and mechanical engineer Tom Kabat will walk you through the basics of electrification, the challenges of panel upgrades and strategies for electrifying your home with optimized panel use and efficient equipment choices. Register at redwoodenergy.org/events. (707) 269-1700, info@redwoodenergy.org

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Stillman for council

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Amy Fetz
Eureka (formerly)

Anti-police rhetoric

It is not surprising a comment period about a police arrest incident at the Arcata City Council meeting will include a lot of anti-police rhetoric. I watched the video available to the public on the incident. What I saw were police officers trying to restrain someone who had been given ample opportunity to adhere to an officer's request to stop the illegal activity. It seemed to take a long time as police were trying to restrain him with as little risk of hurting him as possible.

Other than simply they don't like police and do not think the police should be able to enforce the law if the lawbreaker chooses to defy the law, apparently most of the public commenting at the meeting had previous issues with police. The presentation of this incident by the City Council did not appear to come after a fair hearing on what the police are required to do in such a situation and whether they handled it the best they could. Or at least nothing was reported in the Oct. 23 edition of *Mad River Union* from the perspective of professional law enforcement.

Open flames and food sales in a town square illegal? Should the Arcata community

just let people get sick on whatever someone decides to sell to the public? Should the no open flame law on the square without a permit be ignored? If so, let's all bring our barbecues to the town square and let everyone breathe in the smoke and have a drunken, partying good time! Oh, there are businesses all around the Plaza that pay taxes to the city and serve the community?

One woman quoted says her children witnessed the most heinous and terrifying brutality of their lives.

Didn't she really mean the person violently resisting arrest? Otherwise, she sounds like another of the younger generations raised in a protective "bubble." I did not see the incident that way. I have witnessed much worse. Mostly the anger of the commenters can be attributed to their citing their own bad experiences with police.

Hey, I get it... I once expressed anger towards an officer who had little patience for me. A woman officer with him stopped him from going off on me. I cooled off, shared I was going through a tough time, and was not arrested, just ticketed. Why did Mr. Steelman choose to be uncooperative and resist arrest? We are not told.

Candidate Trump for President is lacking in character and should lose the election, but then the public hears this anti-police rhetoric and making the incident a racial incident seemingly with no justification. It scares them that Harris, claiming to move closer to the center in representing all as President, will shift to her previous loyalties to progressive liberal ideologies. I love and respect friends who are longtime republicans and democrats. I hope many choose Harris but understand why this race is so close. Comedian Bill Maher, traditional liberal, knows the short comings of today's liberals and conservatives: "conservatives govern without shame, and liberals shame without governing."

Lawrence Gray
McKinleyville

LETTERS

Solar stream o' consciousness

Excerpt from a fictional (but plausible) speech.

Weather Forecast: Sunshine, high of 72, light breeze.

Donald Trump: Can you believe it? Now the Harris-Biden regime is poisoning Americans with so-called solar power. Incredible. But the fake media won't cover it. Blinding yellow rays. I never liked yellow—I like red. I like red states! Know what I don't like? This so-called "sunshine." If people want a great tan, they should use good old American technology, like I do. It's killing us, folks. Everyday thousands of Americans—no, tens of thousands, maybe millions of Americans are burnt by solar power. Their skin comes off! Can you believe it? People are saying—I heard it from JD--many millions, maybe billions, of people are dying. They get cancer. People are dying, many, many, so many you can't believe how many. And it's liberals! And the open border! Mexico and the little mexicos—that's what I call them--have more solar power than us. Who knew? And they're sending it up here across the Harris-Biden open border. Wall! Great wall! Make China's wall look short. Chinese people are short too. Go figure. Ever notice how people from Mexico and the others down there are brown? Kind of like the blacks, but brown. Hey, I'm not racist, but we don't have any brown jobs up here. And they're sending murderers, rapists, and this killer solar energy up here. Where's Hannibal Lecter when you need him? I'll be your Hannibal and I'll stop this solar power carnage on my first day in office.

Robert Argenbright
McKinleyville

Operation Green Light for Veterans

Each year we come together as a nation on Veterans Day to honor and celebrate the millions of brave Americans who have served our country in uniform.

As current and prior service members, we know that our veterans need our support. Humboldt County is joining our colleagues across the nation to participate in Operation Green Light for Veterans, an initiative designed to shine a light on the service of our veterans and their families.

Operation Green Light is an opportunity to raise awareness of the resources available to veterans and their families. Locally, we're proud to serve more than 8,500 veterans through our Humboldt County Department of Health & Human Services Veterans Service Office. Throughout the year, staff are busy connecting our veterans and their families to federal and state benefits. Veterans and family members can learn more by calling (707) 445-7611.

As part of Operation Green Light for Veterans, Humboldt County is illuminating the Eureka Veterans Hall green beginning Nov. 4, and we encourage individuals and businesses to join us by changing one light bulb in the entryway of your house or business to a green bulb. By shining a green light, we let veterans know they are seen, appreciated, and supported.

While this event is focused on the week of Veterans Day (Nov. 4 through 11), we hope it sparks conversation and encourages support for veterans year-round.

This Veterans Day, join us in shining a light of hope and support. Join Operation Green Light for our veterans.

Natalie Arroyo
Humboldt County Supervisor, District 4
Rená Maveety
Humboldt County Veterans Service Officer

Help kick off Valley West's new Resilience Hub this Saturday

Kimberley White
CUNA

VALLEY WEST – CUNA, Comunidad Unida del Norte de Arcata/Community United of North Arcata, has been busy behind the scenes, getting ready to open up the Valley West Resilience HUB/Family Resource Center.

CUNA will host an official ribbon cutting ceremony and our Participatory Budget final voting event for Valley West improvements on Saturday, Nov. 2 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at 4700 Valley East Blvd. (the Woodsman Hall, blue building on the corner). There will be fun for the entire family. On this special day of remembrance, we honor Día de los Muertos while celebrating our community's future. Los Giles will be catering a T aquiza (taco party) and will be serving horchata and other beverages. There will be music by DJ L BOOGIE (Lorna Bryant), Día de Los Muertos face painting for the kids (and big kids too), crafts for the littles, and more. Did I mention there will be cake (lots of cake)! Come celebrate with CUNA.

The CUNA Resilience HUB/Family Resource Center will offer assistance before, during and after a disaster. In the event of a disaster

it will include such things as back-up power during outages, food and water distribution, resources and referrals, coordinate communication, a place to charge devices and let family/friends know you are safe, as well as next steps and other emergency support immediately after a catastrophic event.

In non-disaster times, it will function as a Family Resource Center. A Resilience HUB/Family Resource Center will provide, among other things, an emergency food pantry, food literacy and nutrition workshops, a community garden, English as a Second Language classes, help with filling out paperwork or referrals, finding services or playgroups, disaster preparedness training and more. We also realize feeding one's soul is as important as feeding your body. To that end, we are excited to share that we will offer art and culture for all ages to the Valley West community.

A Resilience/Resource Center is a place to build community resilience so that individuals, families and neighborhoods can recover from economic downturns, human-caused disasters, natural disasters and other emergencies.

As part of the celebration, attendees

will witness and/or participate in the Participatory Budgeting Process final voting event, where community members deepen democracy and engage with this community driven design. The community will vote how to spend \$25,000 ARPA (American Rescue Program Act) funds allocated by the City of Arcata for beautification and community connectivity for Valley West.

This is the second round of the Participatory Budget process. The first round, the City allocated \$15,000 and the community voted to spend that money on planting fruit trees, a new picnic table and BBQ grill and additional trash and recycling bins at Valley West Park on Hallen Drive. Other winning proposals from last time included; children's theater, teen meetups, dance classes, community led murals and a latinx style flea market "Tianguis" were amongst the winning proposals from the first round. This second round has nearly 20 proposals. These proposals are a result of more than 10 brainstorming events throughout Valley West and the north Arcata community. These brainstorming events not only included residents but also Valley-West/North Arcata businesses and

students grades 8 through 12 attending Laurel Tree Charter School in Valley West. Some of the proposals coming out of these brainstorming events that will be voted on Nov. 2 include another Tianguis (latinx style flea market at Carlson Park and bringing back "Mural Man" Ben Goulart to teach community led mural workshops. If chosen the murals will be installed at Valley West Park alongside the other murals created by the community in round one. Other ideas from brainstorming sessions include: a bulletin board kiosk, a park bench, teen meetups, food truck festival, movies and music in the park, open mic/karaoke night, culinary arts food literacy workshops, a farmers market/farm stand, exercise classes and various art/crafts workshops taught by local artists.

Valley West community members, businesses, workers and students who live in Valley West can help decide how to spend the \$25,000 in ARPA (American Rescue Program Act) allocated by the City of Arcata by voting in person on Saturday, Nov. 2 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.. or vote online. Online voting will be open for two weeks after the in person voting event.

Online voting will close at the end of the day on Saturday, Nov. 16.

To vote online, go to cunacomes-together.com.

This event reflects CUNA's mission to empower and represent this traditionally underserved community. Through initiatives like the Resilience HUB, CUNA is fostering stronger ties between residents, local businesses, and city government, ensuring a brighter future for the area.

CUNA means "cradle" in Spanish. To "cradle" means to hold gently and nurture, protect and watch over. Cradle is a metaphor for nurturing environments or safe havens where growth and transformation occur. Cradle also means new beginnings. CUNA is bringing those new beginnings to our Valley West/North Arcata community. CUNA, Comunidad Unida del Norte de Arcata/Community United of North Arcata, is a project of Playhouse Arts, working towards building a better represented Valley West.

For more information or to get involved with CUNA contact us at (707) 633-3867 (English) or (707) 633-8831 (español). Email us at cunacomes-together@gmail.com or visit cunacomes-together.com.

Peninsula Measure B: fire and rescue tax

MEASURE E – IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS
HUMBOLDT COUNTY COUNSEL
PENNINSULA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT SPECIAL TAX FOR FIRE PROTECTION AND RESCUE SERVICES

Measure E is a special tax ordinance placed on the ballot by the Board of Directors of the Peninsula Community Services District ("the District"). As a "special tax," Measure E must be approved by two-thirds of the voters voting in the election, and the funds raised may only be used for the specified purposes in the ordinance. The ordinance provides that the proceeds of the tax may be used "solely for the purpose of providing fire protection, rescue and emergency medical services within the District." In particular, the special tax will be used to "maintain and improve the current level of community-based fire protection services provided by the District."

The tax would be effective for the current fiscal year (2024-2025) and would be repealed by operation of law on June 30, 2031. The ordinance requires the tax either be collected by the County in the same manner as other property taxes, or, in the discretion of the District, the District may directly bill and collect the tax. Pursuant to Government Code Section 26911, a special district tax for the current fiscal year would have had to have been submitted to the County Auditor by August 10 in order to be placed on the secured tax roll. Therefore, the tax cannot be collected by the county this year and the District will have to bill and collect the tax directly.

The proposed tax would place a parcel tax on 13 categories of taxable parcels, ranging from \$30 per parcel for unimproved property to \$910 per parcel for improved industrial and larger retail properties. The list of categories and their assigned charge, as well as definitions of each category, can be found in Section 3 of the ordinance. The ordinance contains a procedure to appeal the District's determination of the nature and use of a parcel.

ASD's Measure G: education parcel tax

MEASURE G – IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS
HUMBOLDT COUNTY COUNSEL
ARCATA SCHOOL DISTRICT EDUCATION PARCEL TAX

Measure G is a special tax ordinance placed on the ballot by the Board of Trustees of the Arcata School District. The ordinance is a renewal of a tax approved by the voters in 2016 which will expire on June 30, 2026. The tax proposed by Measure G would run eight years beginning July 1, 2026.

As a special tax, the proceeds of the tax may be spent only for the purposes specified in the ordinance and must be approved by two-thirds of the voters voting in the election. The special purposes listed in the ordinances are: (1) to maintain or expand art, music and dance programs; (2) reduce class sizes; (3) fund social emotional supports and programming to maintain and promote good health; (4) address immediate maintenance and safety issues and increase student safety; and (5) provide funding for necessary staff.

The proposed tax would be \$69 dollars per taxable parcel, which is \$10 more than the existing tax. Property that is otherwise exempt under state law is exempt from this tax, and further exemptions are available upon application for the residences owned and occupied by those 65 or older, by those with a disability receiving Supplementary Social Security Income, or those receiving Social Security Disability Income whose income does not exceed 250 percent of the 2012 federal poverty limit.

The proceeds of the tax would be placed in a separate account and the chief fiscal officer of the District would be required to file an annual report showing the amount of funds collected and expended and the status of any project required or authorized to be funded by the tax. The Citizen's Oversight Committee created with the original tax in 2016 would continue to advise the Board of Trustees regarding expenditure of the proceeds of the tax.

City of Trinidad Measure L: sales tax extension for services

CITY ATTORNEY'S IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE L

THE PROPOSAL: Measure L asks the voters whether the City of Trinidad should extend its current three-quarters of one percent (0.75%) transaction and use tax rate (commonly known as the "sales tax") for an additional four years. Voter approval of Measure L would continue the implementation of this 0.75% sales tax as described below, for an additional period of four years only, effective April 01, 2025, and expiring on March 31, 2029. If passed, this sales tax would add seventy-five cents (\$0.75) in tax to a qualifying sale of one hundred dollars (\$100.00).

HOW IT GOT HERE: The existing 0.75% sales tax was last renewed by the voters of the City of Trinidad in November 2020, and is currently set to expire on March 31, 2025.

HOW IT WORKS: The local sales tax in the City of Trinidad, including the additional 0.75% continued tax proposed by this Measure L, will apply to sales of most retail goods that occur within the boundaries of the City of Trinidad and to certain other items (including vehicles) purchased outside of the boundaries of the Trinidad but only if the purchaser resides within the boundaries of the City of Trinidad. The method by which the tax is assessed and procedures

for collection are all governed by California state law. The sales tax does not apply to items which state law exempts from sales tax.

HOW IT IS USED: The sales tax is a general tax; all revenue generated by the local sales tax goes into the City of Trinidad's General Fund where it is used to fund essential government services provided by the City. These services include, but are not limited to, police and fire protection, street and public facilities construction, maintenance and repair, park, trail and environmental maintenance and protection, and services provided by the City of Trinidad.

The 0.75% sales tax generates approximately \$175,000 per year to the City of Trinidad's General Fund.

A "YES" VOTE MEANS: A "Yes" vote will continue the existing three-quarters of one percent (0.75%) local sales tax through March 31, 2029.

A "NO" VOTE MEANS: A "No" vote will allow the existing three-quarters of one percent (0.75%) local sales tax to expire on March 31, 2025.

REQUIREMENT TO PASS: Measure L requires a majority (i.e., 50.00% + 1) vote of those City of Trinidad residents voting in order for it to pass.

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'Illustrating Humboldt' reception, show at Marsh Interpretive Center

FRIENDS OF THE ARCATA MARSH – ARCATA MARSH – During November and December, "Illustrating Humboldt" by Josh Overington featuring watercolor, acrylic, colored pencil and digital painting media will be on display at the Arcata Marsh Interpretive Center. The artist will be hosting a free opening reception for the general public on Sunday, Nov. 3 from 2 to 4 p.m.

Shows featuring local art and photography are sponsored by Friends of the Arcata Marsh (FOAM). The Interpretive Center, located at 569 South G St. in Arcata, is open to the public Monday from 1 to 5 p.m. and Tuesday through Sunday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call (707) 826-2359.

Said Overington, "Illustrating Humboldt is the culmination of my favorite pieces I've done while liv-



JOLLY JELLY The artist painting a mural, *Jellyfish of the Bay*, as part of the 2023 Eureka Street Art Festival. The piece is located at the intersection of Broadway and Vigo Street.

SUBMITTED IMAGE

coursework during my scientific illustration program to post graduation work I've done for local museums, organizations and publications. The Arcata

turn inspire others to cherish the natural world and embrace their creativity.

"I am a scientific illustrator based out of Eureka who specializes in local



Himantopus mexicanus, commonly known as black-necked stilt. This piece was done as a part of a fundraiser for the San Francisco Bay Bird Observatory. This piece is done primarily in watercolor with some details outlined in pen. Created after I completed my scientific illustration program, this piece features the style I became most accustomed to post-program. It captures both the scientific accuracy of the stilt and the personality of this elegant bird.

ing here over the past eight years. It features species and places that are all very dear to me. They range in both skill and medium and show different moments in my artistic journey – from illustrating interpretive signage during my undergraduate program and

Marsh was one of the first places I was introduced to in Humboldt County and has been a staple space for peace of mind and inspiration for me ever since. I am honored to be able to share work of mine that the Arcata Marsh has inspired and hope that my art can in

postcards of my work. I'm always looking for new ways to use my art to foster a love for the natural world and its many beautiful intricacies.

"My work can be found on Instagram, @clearly_confused, or at clearlyconfused.com."

Chrysaora fuscescens, commonly known as Pacific sea nettle. This piece was done during my program at CSU-Monterey Bay and was among the pieces of coursework that pushed me furthest out of my comfort zone. Painted entirely in acrylic, this piece was a study of mixing mediums with acrylic paint to explore different consistencies. While this piece doesn't fall strictly into the designation of scientific illustration (as my professors were quick to point out), it has been by far one of my most popular pieces and is something I display at every art market I attend. Something about the looser, painterly style and haphazard splashing gives this piece so much life and beauty that I strive for in all of my work.



TROPA MAGICA performs Wednesday, Oct. 30 at Richard's Goat, 401 I St., Arcata. Tropa Magica blends in the guitar and rhythms of '60s Peruvian Cumbias and '90s grunge with a neo-southern psychedelic twist that transports the listener into a tropical psychedelic dance party. Doors open at 6 p.m., show starts at 7 p.m. 21 and over. Tickets are \$22 in advance or \$27 at the door. (707) 630-5000, richardsgoat.com

PERFECT GIDDIMANI Perfect Giddimani performs Thursday, Oct. 31 at the Humboldt Brewery, 856 10th St., Arcata. Doors open at 8 p.m., show starts at 8:30 p.m. 21 and over. Tickets are \$25 in advance and \$28 at the door. (707) 826-BREWS, humbrews.com

YACHT BLOODED performs Thursday, Oct. 31 at the Logger, 510 Railroad Ave., Blue Lake. Marcello Love, Max Satisfaction, Little Richard, Sam Diego, Captain Cutter and the Flying Dutchman as these hot seamen serenade with smooth and mellow golden hits from a simpler, shallower and more mustachioed time. The show starts at 8 p.m. 21 and over. (707) 668-5000, loggerbar.com/eventswww.loggerbar.com/events

THE UNDERCOVERS Basement Boneyard Bash takes place Friday, Nov. 1 at The Basement, 780 Seventh St., ground floor of Jacoby's Storehouse, Arcata. McKinleyville's the

Jeffrey Foucault comes to Arcata Playhouse

ARCATA PLAYHOUSE CREAMERY DISTRICT – Jeffrey Foucault will perform Monday, Nov. 4 at 7 p.m. at the Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth St. in Arcata. Tickets are \$20.

The New Yorker wrote "Jeffrey Foucault sings stark, literate songs that are as wide open as the landscape of his native Midwest."

In two decades on the road, Foucault has become

one of the most distinctive voices in American music, refining a sound instantly recognizable for its simplicity and emotional power. With a string of critically acclaimed studio albums – "Stark, literate songs that are as wide open as the landscape of his native Midwest" (The New Yorker), "Beat-up troubadour folk whittled to dolorous perfection" (Uncut), "Songwriting

Brilliance," (Irish Times) – he's built a brick-and-mortar international touring career and a devoted following, one that includes luminaries like Van Dyke Parks, Greil Marcus and Don Henley.

Tickets are available at playhousearts.org or at the door. Local beer on tap and specialty drinks are available at the bar, with doors opening 30 minutes before the show.

door (707) 645-2309, basementarcata.com

STEVE JOHNSON performs Saturday, Nov. 2 at Six Rivers Brewery, 1300 Central Avenue, McKinleyville. Steve Johnson performs an assortment of rock 'n' roll and blues, in addition to covers. Show starts at 6 p.m. All ages. (707) 839-7580, sixriversbrewery.com

SPOOKY MANSION performs Monday, Nov. 4 at Richard's Goat, 401 I St., Arcata. Hailing from the Bay Area and helmed by singer/songwriter Grayson Converse, Spooky Man-

sion combines nostalgic rock 'n' roll energy with hints of country, jazz, blues and rock. With Arcata's own Los Calicos, featuring members of the California Poppies. Doors open at 7:30 p.m., show starts at 8 p.m. 21 and over. Tickets are \$10 in advance or \$15 at the door. (707) 630-5000, richardsgoat.com

LOS MUNDOS perform Tuesday, Nov. 5 at Richard's Goat, 401 I St., Arcata. Los Mundos is a psych-rock duo from Mexico known for blending shoegaze, stoner rock and heavy, reverb-soaked soundscapes. Doors open at 7:30 p.m., show starts at 8 p.m. 21 and over. Tickets are \$13 in advance or \$16 at the door. (707) 630-5000, richardsgoat.com

JONATHAN SCALE FOURCHESTRA performs Tuesday, Nov. 5 at the Humboldt Brewery, 856 10th St., Arcata. The whimsically named Jonathan Scales Fourchestra is a the power trio of electric bass (E'Lon JD), drums (Maison Guidry) and steel pans (Jonathan Scales). Doors open at 7:30 p.m., show starts at 8 p.m. 21 and over. Tickets are \$15 at the door and \$20 in advance. (707) 826-BREWS, humbrews.com

COMING UP:

- EBK Young Joc at the Arcata Theatre Lounge, Saturday, Nov. 9, 9 p.m.
- Orphic Percussion at the Arcata Playhouse, Sunday, Nov. 10, 7:30 p.m.

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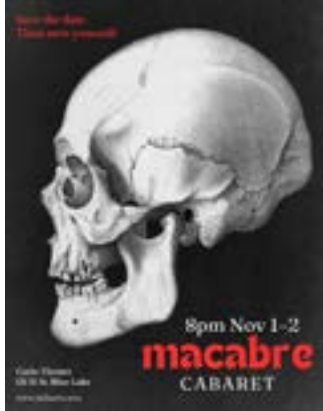
MACABRE CABARET

A VARIETY NIGHT OF FUN & FRIGHT

DELL'ARTE INTERNATIONAL BLUE LAKE – As part of a celebration of 50 years of creations, Dell'Arte International presents a seasonal spooky favorite and herald of fall in Blue Lake. The Macabre Cabaret, directed by Cleo DeOrio, takes place on Friday, Nov. 1 and Saturday, Nov. 2 at 8 p.m. at Dell'Arte, 131 H St. in Blue Lake.

Scream as you witness a ghoulishly giddy theater of nightmares, witchery, and the brainlessly macabre entertainment at Dell'Arte. As the veil between worlds thins, the Macabre Cabaret crosses the boundary to confront patrons with phenomena beyond their comprehension.

Clowns juggling knives, disembodied voices, monsters in the shadows, and haunting electronic melodies are just a part of what's



in store for audiences this year. Specialty cocktails will be served courtesy of the Legion of the Undead. Special guest appearances include Frankenstein and his Bride and the goth drag sensation Kombouija.

Director Cleo DeOrio says "Dell'Arte is excited to continue the tradition of the Macabre Cabaret, highlighting some of your favorite Humboldt County performers. We look for-

ward to closing out your spooky season with the wacky, wild, and whimsical Macabre Cabaret."

The house and the bar open at 7:15 p.m. for an 8 p.m. curtain. Run time is 85 minutes and includes a 15 minute intermission.

Don't miss this popular event as it will sell out! Tickets are available at the door, by phone, and online at dellarte.com. Purchase an individual ticket for \$30 (\$25 if you buy before Oct. 15).

A limited number of splash zone tables for two are available for \$100, and include two free drink tickets and priority table service for cocktails.

Costumes are encouraged! Bring single bills to tip performers. Content is appropriate for ages 18+ (partial nudity). dellarte.com

Chojnacki's one-hour talk on ravens and plovers at the AMIC, on Zoom

FRIENDS OF THE ARCATA MARSH ARCATA – Join recent Cal Poly wildlife graduate Janelle Chojnacki on Wednesday, Nov. 6 to be enlightened about "Ravens and Plovers: Local Research, Ecology, and Fascinating Behaviors of Two Species at Odds."

The presentation is part of the First Wednesday Lecture Series sponsored by Friends of the Arcata Marsh. This one-hour talk will be held at the Arcata Marsh Interpretive Center starting at 7 p.m., followed by a Q&A session, and carried live on Zoom.

Common ravens are fascinating birds. They exhibit complex social behaviors, aerial displays, vocalizations and pair bonds. Being abundant in Humboldt County, they are fun to watch and easy to find. Their numbers make them problematic for the organisms they prey upon, including threatened species like the Western snowy plover. Ravens are the dominant nest predator of snowy plovers.

This presentation will delve into the local and national natural history and behavior of both species, focusing on research conducted for Janelle's graduate degree. Her research centered around the natural history of ravens in coastal Humboldt, us-



FACE GUARD Graduate student researcher Janelle Chojnacki holds a raven to ensure the recently attached GPS unit will stay in place. She wears protective gear, including goggles and leather gloves, as well as a face covering to ensure safety while handling the raven, which has sharp talons and a strong bill, and to also prevent it from recognizing her face in the future! Ravens can remember human faces, and since this project also involved behavioral surveys, Janelle wanted to make sure she wasn't recognized on the beach while conducting research or while trying to enjoy a nice stroll.

PHOTO BY SYDNEY MCCLUSKEY

ing GPS tracking data and behavioral surveys to better understand the causal factors of their high abundance here. Findings are being used to inform raven management in relation to snowy plovers locally and throughout the plovers' breeding range.

Janelle has spent over a decade studying wildlife (mostly songbirds) and their ecosystems. She has studied Humboldt wildlife for over six years, working in the redwoods, national forests, on beaches and farms and for studying ra-

vens specifically, parking lots. She's an avid birder, soccer player, whitewater kayaker and gardener that loves being part of this incredible outdoor and environmental community.

The presentation will be simulcast via Zoom (<https://humboldtstate.zoom.us/j/82423705881?pwd=DERmb9OXoihpQybSsSCbZc1jzAmPL1>) and uploaded afterward to the FOAM YouTube channel. For more information, contact the Interpretive Center at (707) 826-2359.



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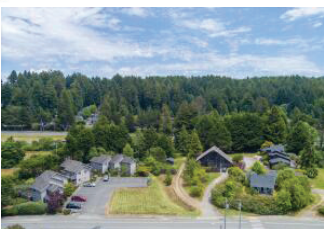
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Near Cal Poly Humboldt



Lush landscaping on this 1.84-acre parcel near Cal Poly Humboldt. The property includes a custom home with an attached garage, a unique barn, and 10 rental units (six 2-bedroom, 1.5-bath units, and four 1-bedroom, 1-bath units).



Tenants are responsible for paying their own utilities. The property is located in Arcata on a 1.84-acre parcel, with City of Arcata rezoning RM to RH High density/50 units per Acre.. (could have setback requirements) This opportunity would appeal to someone looking for a Humboldt County lifestyle, with the potential to live in the main home while generating income from the multi family. \$2,885,000
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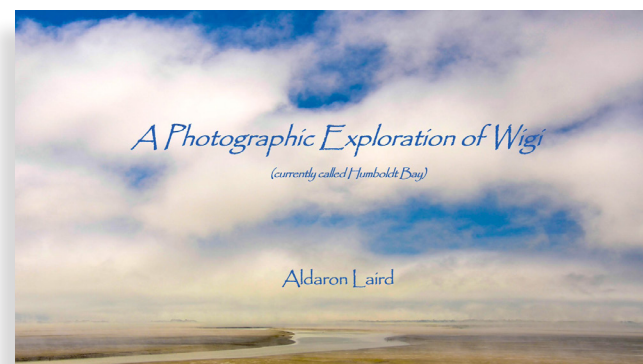
LAIRD-LINED Blue Lake Casino Hotel last Thursday hosted a reception for photographer and environmental planner Aldaron Laird at BLCH's new Redwood Gallery. The photography exhibit captures the natural beauty of Wigi (Humboldt Bay) and explores the intricate relationships between land, water and environmental stewardship. Laird's work has been described as both a visual masterpiece and a historical record of a region undergoing significant ecological change.



The curated selection features photos printed on canvas, which impart a timeless, painterly quality to the watery vistas. Laird's latest book, *A Photographic Exploration of Wigi*, can be viewed via the QR code at upper left. The new art gallery was formerly an arcade room, and links the BLCH hotel and casino.

Above, Aldaron Laird amid his canvassed photos. Left, Blue

Lake Rancheria Tribal Council Member and BLCH CEO Jason Ramos, BLCH Hospitality Director Stan Koff and Christy Laird review a copy of the book. bluelakecasino.com PHOTOS BY KLH | UNION



MARSH TOUR Friends of the Arcata Marsh (FOAM) is sponsoring a free tour of the Arcata Marsh & Wildlife Sanctuary on Saturday, Nov. 2. Meet leader Katy Allen at 2 p.m. in the lobby of the Interpretive Center (AMIC) on South G Street

Solution to Crossword:

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for a 90-minute, rain-or-shine walk focusing on marsh history. (707) 826-2359.

BIOSECURITY FOR BEEKEEPERS Special guest Dr. Lindsay Wilson will speak to the Humboldt County Beekeepers Association Thursday, Nov. 7 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. This talk is titled "Biosecurity for Beekeepers" and will review common bacterial diseases of honeybees, explain how to check your hives for trouble, and outline best prevention practices. Wilson, medical director at a San Francisco veterinary clinic and candidate for Cal-

ifornia Master Beekeeper at UC Davis, says she hopes to send everyone home with practical strategies to follow this fall and next spring. Hope you can join us! Zoom registration link is on HCBAS Facebook page, and also at humboldtbeekeepers.org/next-meeting.

COOL AND CREEPY DAY The Natural History Museum of Cal Poly Presents a Cool and Creepy Discovery Day, 1242 G St., Arcata, Saturday, Nov. 2 from noon

to 4 p.m. This event will focus on taking a closer look at the cool and the creepy parts of the natural world. Enjoy many interactive stations and activities in different disciplines of science. Fun for the whole family. Admission is \$3 per person; free for members, children under 2 and adults accompanying children. humboldt.edu/natmus, natmus@humboldt.edu, (707) 826-4480



EARLY SEASON MUSHROOMS The Natural History Museum Cal Poly presents a talk on The Early Season Mushrooms of Humboldt, with Professor of Botany and Environmental Science, Maria Morrow. 1242 G St., Arcata, Friday, Nov. 8 from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Take a metaphorical walk through some of our coastal forests and see what might be fruiting this month. Learn to identify and explore the ecology of this fascinating kingdom of life. Admission is free. Snacks provided. humboldt.edu/natmus, natmus@humboldt.edu, (707) 826-4480

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